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REPORT
OF
THE ANNUAL MEETING
OF
THE CHAMPLAIN SOCIETY

HELD IN

THE HUMANITIES BUILDING

YORK UNIVERSITY, KEELE STREET

DOWNSVIEW

ON FRIDAY, JUNE 6TH, 1969 AT FOUR O'CLOCK

PRESENT

Officers: President, Mr. John M. Gray; Vice-Presidents, The Right Honourable Leslie Frost, Professor W. L. Morton, Colonel C. P. Stacey; General Editor, Dr. Morris Zaslow; Editor, Ontario Series, Miss Edith Firth; Honorary Secretary, Mr. P. S. Osler; Honorary Treasurer, Mr. J. K. Armour; and Mrs. A. R. Anderson.

Members: Mr. Hartwell Bowsfield, Professor J. B. Conacher, Professor D. G. Creighton, Mrs. Lenore Duncan Crossman, Mr. J. Ramsey Fraser, Mr. Conrad Heidenreich, Mr. W. H. Henderson, Professor D. M. Kerr, E. R. McCloy, Mr. H. Parson Purdy, Mr. B. D. Sandwell, Mr. Paul D. Stevens, Professor John Warkentin.

Regrets were received from Dr. C. Bruce Fergusson, Mr. E. V. B. Pilgrim, Mr. Paul Hahn, Rear-Admiral H. F. Pullen, Mr. Robert E. Saunders, Mr. John White, The Honourable John Yaremko.

On motion of Mr. Fraser, Seconded by Colonel Stacey, the minutes of the last meeting, which had been printed and circulated, were taken as read.

The President regretfully announced the death of Mr. Harold C. Walker, Q.C., in March, 1969. Mr. Walker had been an Honorary Vice-President of the Society at the time of his death. His father was one of the founders of the Society, and Harold Walker had long been an active and valuable participant on its behalf. It was moved, and unanimously carried, that Mr. Gray send a letter of sympathy

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and appreciation, expressing the gratitude of the Society to Mrs. Walker.

The President reported on negotiations with the Greenwood Press over the reissue of the Society's publications. The Society, through its solicitor in New York, Mr. Robert Hendrickson, had warned the Greenwood Press to cease publication. Until late in 1968 it was not clear whether Greenwood was proceeding, so alternative reprint arrangements, that the Society might authorize, were being explored.

When it became apparent that Greenwood was proceeding, and even increasing the number of volumes it proposed to reissue, the alternatives open to us were diminished. We could embark on costly and uncertain litigation, or we could seek some reasonable arrangement with Greenwood Press. After some stiff negotiations Greenwood Press undertook to pay the Society, in instalments, $10,000 as an advance against a royalty of 15% on all sales of Champlain reprints made after January 1st, 1969. In addition, members of the Society may purchase reprints at a discount of 15% from published prices. In return, the Society authorizes the Greenwood Press reprint and has undertaken not to authorize any other reprint of these titles for a period of five years (and perhaps longer, as may be arranged). A contract covering these arrangements has been signed and the first $5,000 of advance has been paid to the Society. A discussion of this report followed, and the meeting expressed approval of the action taken.

The question of the rights of individual editors in the reprints of their volumes was raised. In general it was felt that reprints were not visualized when volumes were undertaken and that editors had conveyed all rights in the material to the Society. It was hoped that, though there might be some doubt about the ownership of these unforeseen rights, editors could be expected to waive any claim they might be thought to have in favour of the Society. Three volume editors present at the meeting, Dr. James Conacher, Dr. James Talman, and Dr. W. L. Morton, all expressed their willingness to waive claims and thought others would do so. It was decided that other volume editors should be asked to signify similar willingness and generosity.

A motion to this effect was proposed by Dr. Conacher and seconded by Dr. Talman, and carried.

The Right Honourable Leslie Frost expressed the appreciation

of all those present for the just and fair arrangements Mr. Gray had worked so arduously to achieve.

A Discussion followed regarding Contract with Volume Editors. The Motion was made by Colonel Stacey, seconded by Dr. John Talman, and carried, that Editors waive, in favour of the Society, any rights they may assume to have to copyright with respect to reprint copies of the Society's series. Some Editors were present at the meeting and each of them stated their waiver of any rights they may have in this respect.

Editorial Reports

General Series:

Presented by Dr. Morris Zaslow

Two manuscripts are being printed at present, Volume XLIV, "The Papers of the Palliser Expedition, 1857–1860", and Volume XLV, "The Journal of Gabriel Franchère". Printing of the Palliser volume has been delayed by the index, which was not ready to go forward until May 15, so that the book is now expected to be delivered around the end of September. This long-awaited volume should prove of enormous benefit to geographers, naturalists, geologists and anthropologists, as well as students of western Canada in an important formative era. Besides the final report of the expedition, the volume incorporates the significant material of the preliminary reports and other records of the expedition. The efforts at identifying places, persons, fauna and flora, and the thorough index will make the volume far more useful from a study and reference standpoint than the original work or the modern-day copies, besides which our edition is much more accessible and infinitely cheaper. The book will be the largest the Society has printed to date, approximately 870 pages overall, and its bulk will be increased still more by the celebrated large map of the routes travelled, which will be fitted in a pocket in the back cover. Extra copies of the map, which is a magnificent production, have been ordered.

"The Journal of Gabriel Franchère", edited by Dr. W. Kaye Lamb with translation by Wessie Tipping Lamb, will do something to redress the balance, for this will only come to about 320 pages, brought up to size by using somewhat larger type and thicker paper than is customary. This work will present Franchère's own manuscript in the original French, which has never before been published, the other editions being based on Bibaud's much embellished ver-

sion of the original narrative. Our Volume XLV will consequently be the definitive edition both in this sense, as well as its being graced by Mrs. Lamb's felicitous translation and Dr. Lamb's readable, thoroughly scholarly introduction and notes. The printer has had the manuscript since February and the proofs should be arriving shortly; the maps and illustrations are being prepared, and the finished book should be delivered around the end of this year.

The manuscript of "The Narrative of Captain John Norton", editors Professors C. F. Klinck and J. J. Talman, is in final stages of preparation. I hope to receive it shortly and to forward it to the printer in the autumn for publication during 1970. After that there follow a number of manuscripts in various stages of preparation, the approximate sequence of which (on the basis of priority) is: the edition by Dr. Elizabeth Moore and Professor William H. Fenton of "Les mœurs des sauvages ameriquaines" by J. F. Lafitau, S.J. in two volumes, the reports of William Duncan, C.M.S. missionary of Metlakatla, B.C., by Professor Zaslow, the Laurier-Minto correspondence by Prof. Paul Stevens and Dean John Saywell of York University, and a new volume authorized this past winter, on the direction of the North-West Rebellion campaign of 1885 based on the telegram book of the minister of militia, Sir Adolph Caron, to be edited by Desmond Morton of the University of Ottawa. In addition, there is the standing commitment to publish the fifth and last volume of the diary of Simeon Perkins at a convenient time. The volume for 1971, XLVII, will depend on which of these manuscripts is ready first.

The adoption of the General Editor's report was moved by Dr. Zaslow, seconded by Mr. P. S. Osler, and carried.

Mr. Gray expressed appreciation of Dr. Zaslow's contribution to the Society as General Editor.

Ontario Series:

1968 was a year of expectations for the Champlain Society's Ontario Series—and unfortunately of expectations that did not materialize. For unavoidable reasons our proposed volume for 1968, Professor Mealing's on the Ottawa Valley, has been delayed. We are therefore proceeding with the publication of the next scheduled volume, *The Thunder Bay District, 1821–1892*, edited by Professor Elizabeth Arthur of Lakehead University. This manuscript is now in my hands, and will be going to the printer shortly. The University of Toronto Press has informed us that the time required from de-

livery of the manuscript to them until publication is now from eight to nine months.

We still hope that the following volume in the Series will be Professor Mealing's Ottawa Valley. After it there will be volumes on Stormont and Glengarry by Professor George Stanley of the Royal Military College, Kingston, on Ontario's part in the first Great War by Professor Paul Cornell of the University of Waterloo, on the Rebellion of 1837 by Professor F. H. Armstrong of the University of Western Ontario, on the debates in the Upper Canadian House of Assembly by Mr. S. F. Wise of the Directorate of History, Canadian Forces Headquarters, and on Simcoe County by Professor John Moir of Scarborough College.

It is regrettable that a more regular publications programme cannot be maintained. Our editors are extremely busy people, and cannot always meet their deadlines. Their eminence in their fields, however, guarantee the high standards of the Ontario Series, so that their volumes are well worth waiting for, with patience and gratitude.

The adoption of this report was moved by Miss Firth, seconded by Mr. J. Ramsey Fraser, and carried.

The President expressed appreciation of Miss Firth's contribution to the Society as Editor of the Ontario Series.

Membership Report:

The following report was presented by The Honorary Secretary, Mr. P. S. Osler.

At the time of the 1968 Annual Meeting there were 751 active memberships. Since that time 28 new memberships have been added (22 individual memberships and 6 institutional). Ten vacancies have occurred.

At the present time there are 769 active memberships, with 4 new memberships to be confirmed pending correspondence, and 6 interested applicants but to date no affirmative reply received.

Treasurer's Report:

Mr. Armour presented the following statement which had been audited by Mr. Ramsey Fraser. Adoption of the report was moved by the Treasurer, seconded by Mr. Osler and carried.

The Champlain Society

STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 1968

General Series

Balance as at January 1, 1968	$16,135.96	
Receipts:		
Members' Fees	8,820.00	
Permission Fees	155.00	
Sales of Back Volumes	1,020.00	
Sales of Library Editions	72.00	
Bank Interest	539.29	
U.S. Premiums, less Bank Charges	154.44	$26,896.69
Disbursements:		
General Expenses, including editor's and secretary's honoraria and out-of-pocket expenses	$ 3,221.86	
Printing and Delivery of Volume XLIII	9,445.56	12,667.42
Balance as at December 31, 1968, General Series		$14,229.27

Ontario Series

Balance at at January 1, 1968	$ 3,495.18	
Receipts:		
Grant from Ontario Government,	5,000.00	
Department of Education Sales of Back Volumes	95.00	$ 8,590.18
Disbursements:		
Editor's and Secretary's Honoraria	$ 550.00	550.00
Balance as at December 31, 1968, Ontario Series		$ 8,040.18

Audited and found correct:

J. RAMSEY FRASER, C.A.

The President reported the resignation of Mr. Ramsey Fraser as Auditor, as he expects to leave the Toronto area, and moved a vote of appreciation for his services to the Society.

The motion was made by Mr. John Armour, seconded by Mr. J. Ramsey Fraser, that Mr. Kenneth Clements, C.A., Controller of York University, be appointed as Auditor. Carried.

The President moved that The Right Honourable Leslie Frost be appointed as Honorary Vice-President. Carried unanimously. Mr. Gray expressed his appreciation and that of the Society for Mr. Frost's continued and active assistance on its behalf. History is under a debt to him as the originator of the Ontario Series.

The President spoke briefly on the future of the Society and particularly on its publication policy so far as members are concerned. He opened the question of whether our books should in future, in one way or another, be made available more widely. After a general discussion of this and also the matter of reprints, it was decided that further discussion regarding the distribution of the Society's future books be left until next year. It was moved by Professor Morton, and carried, that this be left to incoming Council to study.

The resignation of Mr. John Gray, as President was announced. Professor J. B. Connacher expressed the appreciation of the Council, Officers and Members of the Society for Mr. Gray's continual and arduous efforts during his term as President.

Election of Council:

Professor J. B. Connacher presented the report of the Nominating Committee. It was moved by Colonel Stacey, seconded by Mr. P. S. Osler, that the following be elected to Council for a three year term to fill vacancies: Mr. Murray Bell, Q.C., Professor D. G. Creighton, Professor W. L. Morton, Professor George Rawlyk, Dean J. T. Saywell, Professor Peter Waite.

Mr. Gray moved the adjournment of the meeting.

After the Annual Meeting, the Council elected officers for the year 1969.

List of Officers

Honorary President:

W. Stewart Wallace, M.A.(Oxon.), LL.D.

President:

W. L. Morton, S.M., M.A., LL.D., D.Litt., F.R.S.C., Vanier Professor of History, Trent University, Peterborough, Ontario

Honorary Vice-Presidents:

Sir Campbell Stuart, G.C.M.G., London, England.

The Honourable Leslie Frost, C.C., Q.C., LL.D., D.C.L., Lindsay, Ontario

Vice-Presidents:

Colonel C. P. Stacey, O.B.E., C.D., F.R.S.C., Department of History, University of Toronto, Toronto, Ontario.

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Murray Bell, Q.C., 134 Forest Hill Road, Toronto, Ontario.

Norman D. Clarke, Barrie, Ontario.

J. B. Conacher, M.A., Ph.D., Department of History, University of Toronto.

D. G. Creighton, M.A., LL.D., F.R.S.C., Department of History, University of Toronto, Toronto, Ontario.

Roger Graham, M.A., Ph.D., Department of History, University of Saskatoon, Saskatchewan.

John M. Gray, LL.D., The Macmillan Company of Canada, Toronto, Ontario.

D. G. G. Kerr, B.A., Ph.D., Department of History, Middlesex College, University of Western Ontario, London, Ontario.

W. Kaye Lamb, Ph.D., LL.D., F.R.S.C., Ottawa, Dominion Archivist and National Librarian of Canada.

D. C. Masters, M.A., Ph.D., Department of History, Wellington College, University of Guelph, Ontario.

Margaret A. Ormsby, Ph.D., Vancouver, Department of History, University of British Columbia.

Rear-Admiral H. F. Pullen, O.B.E., C.D., "Big Hill," Chester Basin, Nova Scotia.

George A. Rawlyk, M.A., Ph.D., Department of History, Queen's University, Kingston, Ontario.

J. T. Saywell, B.A., M.A., Ph.D., Dean of the Faculty of Arts & Sciences, York University, Downsview, Ontario.

Paul Stevens, Department of History, York University, Toronto, Ontario.

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T. W. Tweed, 34 Ross Street, Toronto, Ontario.

John Warkentin, M.A., Ph.D., Department of Geography, York University, Downsview, Toronto, Ontario.

General Editor:

Morris Zaslow, M.A., Ph.D., London, Department of History, University of Western Ontario.

Editor, Ontario Series:

Miss Edith Firth, B.A., B.L.S., Toronto.

Honorary Secretary:

Peter S. Osler, Q.C., Toronto.

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